

TITLE: Captain – Manager of Aviation Unit

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DEPARTMENT: Sheriff's Office, Fayette County

JOB SUMMARY: This position is responsible for managing the operations of the county helicopter and for directing the Project Lifesaver Program.

MAJOR DUTIES:

- o Manages the training of pilots.
- o Provides training for Project Lifesaver.
- o Coordinates activities with other agencies.
- o Oversees the maintenance of the county helicopter.
- o Coordinates helicopter maintenance through external contracts.
- o Enforces safety standards.
- o Supervises the preparation and ensures accuracy and completeness of daily, special, and periodic reports.
- o Develops and prepares annual operating budgets; monitors expenditures within approved funding and ensures all expenditures are made in compliance with established purchasing policies and procedures.
- o Performs other related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED BY THE POSITION:

- o Knowledge of federal, state, and local laws.
- o Knowledge of the operation and maintenance of the county helicopter.
- o Knowledge of Project Lifesaver policies and procedures.
- o Knowledge of departmental rules and regulations.
- o Knowledge of the procedures used in emergency communications.
- o Knowledge of law enforcement training standards.
- o Knowledge of budgeting, financing, and accounting procedures.

- o Skill in the use of firearms.
- o Skill in preparing and monitoring operating budgets.
- o Skill in the operation of the county helicopter.
- o Ability to prepare clear and comprehensive reports.
- o Ability to operate assigned departmental vehicles and equipment, including firearms.

SUPERVISORY CONTROLS: The Major assigns work in terms of unit goals and objectives. The supervisor reviews work through conferences, reports, and observation of unit activities.

GUIDELINES: Guidelines include federal and state constitutions, The Official Code of Georgia, program guidelines, equipment operation and maintenance standards, and department rules, regulations, and standard operating procedures. These guidelines require judgment, selection, and interpretation in application.

COMPLEXITY: The work consists of varied management, supervisory, administrative, and law enforcement duties. Strict regulations, frequent interruptions, and potentially life threatening situations contribute to the complexity of the position.

SCOPE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this position is to direct the activities of the Aviation Unit. Success in this position contributes to the enforcement of federal, state, and local laws and contributes to the effectiveness of department operations.

PERSONAL CONTACTS: Contacts are typically with co-workers, elected and appointed officials, representatives of other law enforcement agencies, vendors, victims, witnesses, suspects, defendants, court personnel, attorneys, and members of the general public.

PURPOSE OF CONTACTS: Contacts are typically to give or exchange information; resolve problems; provide services; motivate and influence persons; or justify, defend, negotiate, or settle matters.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The work is typically performed while sitting at a desk or table or while standing or walking. The employee occasionally lifts light and heavy objects, climbs ladders, and uses tools or equipment requiring a high degree of dexterity.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work is typically performed in an office and outdoors. The employee may be exposed to noise, dust, dirt, grease, machinery with moving parts, contagious or infectious diseases, irritating chemicals, and occasional cold or inclement weather. The work requires the use of protective devices such as masks, goggles, vests, or gloves.

SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY: This position has direct supervision over assigned personnel.

SPECIAL CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES: Possession of a valid State of Georgia driver's license (Class C) and a satisfactory Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) in compliance with County Safety and Loss Control Guidelines. Completion of the State of Georgia Department of Transportation Defensive Driving Course and/or Emergency Vehicle Operation Certification within twelve (12) months of employment.

ADA COMPLIANCE: Fayette County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. ADA requires the County to provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities. Prospective and current employees are invited to discuss accommodations.

HIPAA COMPLIANCE: The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 requires employees to protect the security of Protected Health Information (PHI) however it is obtained, handled, learned, heard or viewed in the course of their work.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE: In accordance of Fayette County's Substance Abuse Policy of 1996, all job applicants offered employment will undergo testing for the presence of illegal drugs and alcohol as a condition of employment. In the course of employment, employees are subject to random, reasonable suspicion, post accident and routine fitness for duty testing for illegal drugs and alcohol abuse. Employees are prohibited to work under the influence, to possess, to distribute or to sell illegal drugs in the work place or abuse alcohol on the job. Confirmed positive is reason for denial of employment and/or termination.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- o Knowledge and level of competency commonly associated with completion of specialized training in the field of work, in addition to basic skills typically associated with a high school education.
- o Experience sufficient to thoroughly understand the diverse objectives and functions of the subunits in the division/department in order to direct and coordinate work within the division/department, usually interpreted to require three to five years of related experience.
- o Possession of or ability to readily obtain a valid driver's licenses issued by the State of Georgia for the type of vehicle or equipment operated.
- o Ability to meet current requirements set forth by the Police Standards and Training Council for the State of Georgia.